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Dear Harv,

If I did not thank you for the nice Xmas card and the enclosed letter, please excuse me. Largely it came from my immobility and sitting at right angles to my desk. Just found it in a stack in which it did not belong.

Had a call from your son, who seems to be bright in addition to pleasant. I'dhoped for a visit but he has not gotten here since then.

I'd like it if you moved near or to the DC, but remember if you do, the winters are like those you had in Cleveland, much more severe than in the Bay area. They didn't make any real difference to me unti I was 80 and then that worse weather was a little inhibition.But there is much that makes this a fine area, much that is available in this area that is not available elsewhere.

That was a fascinating account of your movie careeer but I regret I'll not see it. Haven't been able to sit as required in a movie for 25 years and never got cable for the TV set because I took so little time to look at TV. Mostly only what kept growing less and less like news.

You did have a fine year from that account. Lucky to be mobile!

and well!

More ond more of my relatively immobile time is taken up by our medical needs, which are growing in both of us. The kidney dialysis that is supposed to be saving my life is draining me, taking more of it, making more and more of it useless because it so drains me I dare not write in that condition. There has been talk of shifting me to a different mode that is not so exhausting but so far no step toward preparing my body for it. The aged body that so far has had, if my memory can be trusted, six operations for it. (More than that many operations for other purposes, all, to now, successful.) Lil also grows more feeble, less mobile, too. But her major of many difficulties was the blood clot on her brain when the hospital let her fall. I fear the expectable consequences are gowing steadily and are not likely to be reversed. She often cannot distinguish between truth and what isn't, etc. So far as I know, nothing can be done tohelp her but I/we keep trying. But from what the neurosurgeon told me in advance, at her age the clot operation can appear to be successful, as hers was, but the tissue does not return to the brain it had been. Her brain had been a fine one. It is almost like mush now. Almost no interest in reading, etc. Hard, very hard, and painful.

Hope ypu can make it again. And Brian, too. He seems to be a fine and an able young man who is a tribute to his parents and how he was raised,

Best,

Hal